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URGES SIGNING OF TREATY.

COPENHAGEN, June 6.

Mathias Erzberger, head of the German armistice commission, according to the Deutsche Tageszeitung of Berlin, is preparing a memorandum which after discussing the peace terms in all its aspects, advocates signing the treaty.

CALL FOR RUSSIAN REGENERATION.

OMSK, June 6.

The social revolutionists, the social democrats, and labor unions in Perm have united in a block and published a declaration calling upon all democratic and socialist organizations to participate in the regeneration of Russia and in the building up of any army capable of fighting against the enemies of the Russian state. The declarations announce that the organs of local self-government, municipalities, and Zemstvos, as well as all other public bodies will support the Omsk Government against all anarchistic elements.

LITHUANIANS ADVANCING.

BERNE, June 6.

Lithuanian troops advancing from Vilna, are occupying Kacia, in the direction of Dvinsk, according to information received by the Lithuanian Press Bureau here.

PART OF BULGARIAN ARMY MOBILIZED.

COPENHAGEN, June 6.

A part of the Bulgarian Army has been mobilized and is marching toward the Serbian frontier, the Balkan News Agency reports.

CANADA GETTING AFTER AGITATORS.

OTTAWA, June 6.

Some sweeping amendments to the criminal code are recommended by the special committee of the House of Commons on seditious propaganda. The committee recommends the insertion of new sections in the code. Associations proposing to bring about any governmental, industrial or economic change within Canada by use of force are, it is recommended, to be declared unlawful. Any property belonging to such an unlawful association may be seized and forfeited to

the Crown. Any person who is a member of any such unlawful association is liable to imprisonment for not less than one year and not more than twenty years.

WHO STOLE THEM?

PARIS, June 6.

The members of the American Peace Delegation, disturbed by the report that copies of the German Peace terms have reached New York, are undertaking to check up all the copies issued in order to ascertain if any are missing.

AGREES WITH FOURTEEN POINTS

PARIS, June 6.

"I am convinced that our Treaty project violates none of my principles," President Wilson is quoted by the Matin as having said when he was made acquainted with the German counter proposals to the Peace Treaty.

"If I held a contrary opinion I would not hesitate to confess it and would endeavor to correct the error. The Treaty as drawn up, however, entirely conforms with my fourteen points."

BOLSHEVİK AGITATOR EXECUTED

MUNICH, June 6.

Levine Nissen, the Bolshevik agitator, who was one of the leaders of the Munich Communist Soviet regime, was executed at noon to-day at Stadelheim, outside the capital. He was convicted yesterday and the Bavarian cabinet refused to commute his sentence, maintaining that he was the cause of the civil war in Bavaria, and deserved no mercy.

OFFERING SYMPATHY.

LONDON, June 6.

The execution in Munich of Levine Nissen is resulting in unrest throughout Germany, an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen says.

The Majority Socialists are joining a strike movement begun by the Soldiers' and Workers' Council and executive committees of the great Berlin factories who protested against the sentence of the Bavarian communist. Strikes have occurred in Nuremberg and Munich. A strike at Leipzig has resulted in street fighting. The German Government, it is added, is making military preparations in Berlin and elsewhere.

The Irish Question Sowing and Reaping.

(Christian Science Monitor.)

The Irish question seems to be approaching what Lord Rosebery might perhaps term its last phase. The shooting of the police at Knocknagration may seem to indicate the exact contrary, but it must be remembered that Knocknagration is in Ireland, and not in England or the United States. How, precisely, a settlement will be reached, only a schoolmaster, him peradventure of Auburn, would dare to predict, and then only in his most ex-cathedra mood. But if a less enlightened being were to hazard an opinion, it would probably be that Sir Horace Plunkett's suggestion of Dominion Home Rule might afford at least a jumping off ground. The difficulty, of course, is that Ireland is no more Canada than Dublin is Melbourne. There is a vast difference, that is to say, between the Irish Channel and the Atlantic. An invasion of Australia or Canada, by a power at war with the United Kingdom, for the purpose of getting a strange hold on the Commonwealth, is not worthy of serious consideration, whereas an occupation of Ireland, on the lines attempted by Roger Casement, was proved to be a political and strategic possibility during the Great War.

Now the Sinn Féin Party demands an Irish Republic, whilst the Unionists insist on the status quo. The two ideals appear hopelessly irreconcilable, and so they would be if they were irreconcilably adhered to. It is just here, therefore, that Sir Horace's via media may be taken: not necessarily with a view to continuing along it with its ultimate conclusion, but with a view to finding another road along which the Unionist and the Sinn Féin may agree to travel together. This idea is not so near midsummer night's madness as may at first appear. It is quite true that a faction has never been waged more fiercely than in Ireland; that the Irish have never proved capable of sustained unity; and that the informer has flourished where the snake has never

had a chance. None the less the fact remains that Ireland is a passion with Irishmen of every class and party. There is not one of them, landlord or tenant, Protestant or Roman Catholic, Sinn Féiner or Unionist, Farnellite or anti-Farnellite, hillman or town's-man, who does not see, with the same emotion, the purple dawn spreading over the Wicklow hills, or the mist drifting through the gap of Donloe.

Herein lies the hope for Ireland's future. After all, the bitterness between the Highlands and the Lowlands was just as strong, nor was there any more love lost between Argyll and Lochiel than between Sir Edward Carson and Mr. de Valera. But one day there came along an Englishman who was big enough to place the Campbells alongside of the Comerons in the cockpit in Flanders. Curiously enough very much the same thing has happened in the same place to-day. The Orange and the Green have been together in the trenches in Flanders, with very much the same result. And Sir Hubert Gough, who once threatened to refuse to lead the cavalry brigade, under his command, from the Curragh to Belfast, now stands determinedly for a United Ireland, though not on Mr. de Valera's lines. This heading of the quarrel between the Highlands and the Lowlands was the precursor of peace between England and Scotland. A great opportunity has come to Mr. Lloyd George to repeat the miracle wrought by William Pitt.

Mr. Lloyd George is perfectly capable of taking that opportunity. But in order that Mr. Lloyd George may take it he must have the support of "the predominant partner." This support he unquestionably has, with one extremely important reservation; and it is upon this reservation that all previous attempts to settle the question have been shipwrecked. That reservation is Ulster. Ulster, or rather northeastern Ulster, has always op-

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posed Home Rule in any form, and made it plain that its opposition would have to be broken down by force, and it is just that force which the predominant partner has declined to apply. To attempt to confound Sir Edward Carson with Ulster is the most foolish of nonsense. Sir Edward is merely the latest Unionist leader, as Mr. de Valera is the latest leader of Nationalism. If there had been no Craigs or Sandersons, Sir Edward might never have been, just as Mr. de Valera is the lineal descendant of the O'Connell and Parnells. As a matter of fact, however, all these men were effects, not causes: the effects of systems summed up on the one side by the Irish plantations, and on the other by the sense of national injury. The one produced "the Castle," the other the secret society; the one found expression in "the Orangemen," the other in "the White-boys."

Now it is no good at this time of day to visit the sins of the fathers upon the children; to make Sir Edward Carson responsible for Strongbow, Cromwell, or Dutch William, any more than to invest Mr. de Valera with the halo of Michael, and to set out to whitewash the rapparee, the ribbonman, or the land-leaguer. The same critic knows well enough that in the past, outrage has been piled upon outrage by the British administration in Ireland, and that outrage has been answered with outrage by the promptings of the emotions. Then he may learn why the Romans built

Watling Street, and quartered the XX Legion at Deva, which is to-day Chester.

Really what is imperceptibly bridging the Irish Channel, in spite of all appearances to the contrary, and insensibly blending the Orange and the Green into the national blue, is Principle. The wise men are growing daily more weary of the warring factions, and the wise men are growing silently, but in numbers, every day. To them it is futile for one side or the other to assume virtues which they do not possess, or a freedom from mistakes which they have not achieved. The wise man knows that every one reaps as he sows.

Cumulative.

(From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.)

A story is told about a citizen whose daughter is about to be married, and who has been trying to get a line on what the expense of the rather elaborate ceremony will be. He approached a friend of his, seeking information.

"Morris," he said, "your oldest daughter was married about five years ago, wasn't she? Would you mind telling me about how much the wedding cost you?"

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